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OF MANUFACTURING SAME

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**Supplemental Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to a conversation with the Examiner on February 19, 2003 the following amendment is presented:

**In The Claims**

*Please replace claim 1 as shown below. A marked up version of the amended claims is attached to this Amendment.*

1. A filler neck for receiving a fuel supply nozzle for a motor vehicle fuel tank comprising:

a one-piece seamless funnel member having a tubular body defining in off-set axial relation to each other a relatively large inlet opening adapted for attachment to a receptor for positioning the nozzle with respect to the large inlet opening and a relatively small

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